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DR. JAS. E. SHEPARD

A BRILLIANT YOUNG MAN WHO IS MAKING HISTORY.

FRIEND OF BOOKER WASHINGTON

Was Recently Elected Field Secretary of the International Sunday School Union—His Record as Chief Clerk Under Recorder Cheatham.

"'Tis not birth, nor wealth, nor state,
But get up and get that makes a man great."
—[Old Saw.

One of the most promising young leaders of the state of North Carolina, whose activities in several fields have brought him into a deserved national prominence, is Dr. Jas. E. Shepard, of Raleigh and Durham. He is a graduate of the collegiate and medical departments of Shaw University, securing at that time-honored institution an intellectual and professional equipment that entitles him to a permanent place in the front rank of scholars and men of affairs of our race. Though only at the threshold of life in point of years, he has already made a record of which anyone of the ripest experience might well be proud. Faithful in all things, energetic in every undertaking, ambitious for the highest results attainable in every line of endeavor, and loyal to his friends, Dr. Shepard has found the true door to eminence, and his demand for admission has fallen upon responsive ears.

When Recorder H. P. Cheatham assumed his duties in Washington in 1897, he immediately drew upon the talents of Dr. Shepard for assistance in re-organizing his office and placing it upon a business basis. The young man served as chief clerk and comparer of deeds to the satisfaction of all, until called to the responsible post of deputy collector of internal revenue in his native state. In the internal revenue office his gentlemanly demeanor, conscientious discharge of duty and rare intelligence in handling the problems of the hour, all tended to make him a favorite, and blotted t any semblance of discrimination on the score of race or color. His conservative, yet manly treatment of local issues won the fullest confidence of the people of his section. His address last year in Washington before the Second Baptist Lyceum, discussing the relations of the races in the South, arguing that the Negro should remain and work out his destiny in his natural home, attracted wide spread attention, and was liberally reported and praised by the newspapers in the nation's capital and throughout the South.

Dr. Shepard is a warm supporter of the economic and industrial principles laid down by Dr. Booker T. Washington, and at the meeting of the Business League at Richmond, in August, he was chosen to serve upon one of the most important committees.

A new honor has come to Dr. Shepard lately. He was elected field secretary of the International Sunday School Union, relinquishing the internal revenue deputyship, and entering at once upon the duties of his office. He has since October 1st, traveled extensively, meeting with an enthusiastic reception at every point visited, covering states in the West, Middle East and South. He has long been a factor in the Baptist denomination, and brings to this vast arena a maturity of judgment and familiarity with its demands, that render him a valuable acquisition to the mission of enlisting recruits in the great army of Christ. He is a Christian gentleman and a shining example for our aspiring young men.

The Raleigh Morning Post in speaking of the promotion of Dr. Shepard, says: "Our attention is called to this by resolutions passed a few days ago by the colored Baptists in session at Wilson, and we take pleasure in adding our approval of the high endorsement expressed by the resolutions concerning Dr. Shepard. He has entered upon a service in which he can be of great good to his people, and for which, by education and character, he is highly fitted. We wish him success, for it is such as he who must bring the colored people up to a higher and more useful life."

This encomium, from a Democratic newspaper in North Carolina, is indeed "praise for Sir Rupert," and it indicates that the eyes of all Southerners are not blind to true worth, even when found beneath a dusky skin.

Though "out of politics" in the usual acceptance of the term, Dr. Shepard has lost none of his interest in the well-being of the people of the state, and wherever he can say a word or perform a service tending to to uplift and enlighten his fellow-citizens, he will be found in cheerful readiness. He understands that the new turn in affairs in North Carolina means a new study of the race problem, and when the occasion arises for a new, aggressive and sagacious leader, no safer guide is likely to be found than Dr. Shepard.

Pertinent, Pithy Pickings.

Dallas, Tex., Special.—We are now in the mud and mire and the city fathers are somewhat handicapped in the street cleaning department. Many Dallasites were in the Island City to see the squadroon. It is said that many Texas towns will have salried colored baseball teams this season. H. P. Porter, the base ball enthusiast of Dallas, is now getting his colts together for the diamond. John Daniels has the only colored female aggregation of ball players in the Lone Star state that are now looking for a game at an early date. The genial managers of the little sluggers, East Dallas Hornets and South End Blues will form a city circuit of home talent and play at the Belt Line park when not away from home. Willie Lee left for Hot Springs, where he will spend a month before returning to Kansas City. The magnates of social pleasures have hung up their sign. Many of our people are now planning for Easter. The stag given on Wednesday night by the Benefit Order of Barbers, was largely attended. Many fine speeches were made for the good of the organization. Miss G. A. Hall, a kindergarten teacher at St. Paul M. E. church, likes The Freeman so well that she reads it to her pupils at recess. H. W. Scott has recovered from his late illness. Emanual Lodge No. 145, N. of P., initiated 35 candidates into their order on the 24th. The new lodge of Masons is the strongest organization ever organized here. Miss Nanie Taylor is convalescing. J. Hawkins made a business trip to Houston recently.

Protracted Meeting Held.

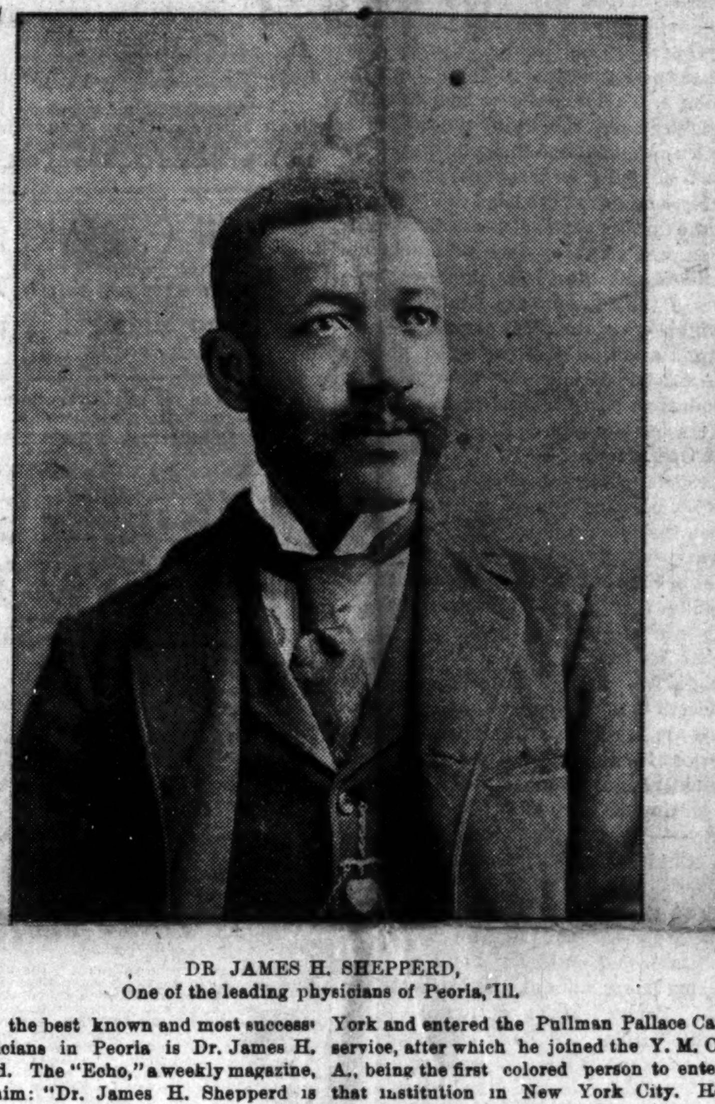
Muncie, Ind., Special.—The revival services are still in progress. Sunday evening Rev. Taylor received nineteen new members into the church. Rev. Mrs. Wright left on Monday after a stay of several weeks assisting in the revival. Mrs. Thompson, of Portland, is assisting in the services this week. The 8th of March has been set apart for a special collection for the trustees, and all members and friends are requested to be present and assist. Mrs. Curtis is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fletcher. She is suffering from a stroke of paralysis, and her advanced age makes her recovery very doubtful. Mrs. Lewis is sick at her home in E. Seymour street. Mrs. Julia Robbins was called to Indianapolis on account of the sudden death of Rev. Walker, of that city. Mrs. Robbins previous to her marriage made her home with Rev. Walker. Miss May Stokes is recovering from her recent illness. Mr. Williams, of Anderson, was in the city Sunday, the guest of friends.

Nuggets New and Novel.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—Mrs. West Goins and daughter Bessie left last week for Detroit, where they are visiting relatives. Miss Belle Hobbs, of Chicago, was called to the bedside of her mother in this city. Rev. Gillard, of Ann Arbor, preached at the Baptist church Sunday. Eva Johnson is convalescing. Mrs. Garrett returned Sunday from Detroit. Mrs. Sam Taylor is on the sick list. Messrs. Ray Johnson and Geo. Gullum left Wednesday with Smith Pastime company. Richard Anderson, of Battle Creek, is in the city. Rev. Hill preached at the A. M. E. church Sunday night. Anyone desiring The Freeman will please call on our agent, Miss Flossie M. Johnson, 216 E. Franklin street.

Church and Social News.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—Rev. Ricks and the A. M. E. church are still conducting successful revivals. The marriage of Edward Tops to Miss Anna Bates, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ford, in Ohio street, was a swell affair. There was a host of friends present to witness the ceremony. Rev. Knowles officiated. Mrs. Anna Wheeler departed this life on the 20th inst., at the age of 90 years. She was a beloved christian and a faithful church worker. Her funeral service was conducted by Rev. Coleman. She was a member of the First Baptist church. Mrs. Julia Mens died on the 17th inst. She was a consistent christian and was a member of the A. M. E. church. The last sad rites were conducted by Rev. Sides. Joe Ricks is ill at his home in Ohio street. Mrs. Mattie Redmond has returned from a visit of several weeks to her mother in Memphis, Tenn. Miss Sallie Hobbs spent several days with her mother in Beechwood. S. E. Edwards, of Beechwood, was in the city last Saturday. Mrs. Louisa Hester and Daughter, Minnie Johnson, of Oceola, Ark., are guests of Miss Etta Ware, in Commercial avenue. A. Bamphead has returned from a pleasant trip South. Charles Coleman, of Helena, Ark., is a guest of Pink Ward, in Poplar street. The public is invited to be at Clancey's hall on March 10th, to hear Prof. Ed. Ewin's orchestra, of Paducah. Prof. Ewin has the reputation of being the best violinist in the country. The Buffaloes gave a grand reception on the 26th inst., and a large crowd was in attendance. A grand time will be had at the Twenty-sixth Street hall next Monday night. Overby & Blakemore's orchestra will furnish the music. Mrs. Hattie Parker, of 2311 Poplar street, is recovering her health. Mrs. Jerry Umphra is ill at her home in Twentieth street. Mrs. Mattie Redman, of Memphis, Tenn., is the guest of her husband, Alvin Redman, in this city.



DR JAMES H. SHEPPERD,
One of the leading physicians of Peoria, Ill.

One of the best known and most successful physicians in Peoria is Dr. James H. Shepperd. The "Echo," a weekly magazine, says of him: "Dr. James H. Shepperd is one of the best educated, most successful colored practitioners in the state. He has been in the city only a few years, but has built up a wide and steadily widening practice, so that he is almost continually on the go. Dr. Shepperd is looked upon as a rising physician, and so successful has he been that he derives a large share of his patronage outside of people of his own race."

The Herald-Transcript, one of the leading dailies in central Illinois, published in Peoria, has this to say of him: "He was born in Lynchburg, Va., and is what may be termed a self-made man. His parents being very poor, he was compelled, when but a child, to start out for himself, and at the age of 13 years was master of the tobacco trade. At 15 he went to Washington, D. C., and entered Howard University, working at the hotel for his board, from which place he graduated and went to New York and entered the Pullman Pallace Car service, after which he joined the Y. M. C. A., being the first colored person to enter that institution in New York City. He graduated from two departments, bookkeeping and French. Through his friend, Rev. Dr. Henry Ward Beecher, he obtained a position as coupon clerk in the First National Bank, corner Wall and Broadway streets. In 1894 he finished medicine at Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., and two years later finished a post graduate course at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. In 1899 he came to Peoria where he was kindly received by all, but was told that there was no room for a colored physician in Peoria, and that one could not succeed. In the face of this he enjoys a very lucrative practice, owns some real estate in the best portion of the city, and is a member of the city Medical society, also the State Medical society."

Dr. Shepperd's office is at 715 Main street. He is a good friend of The Freeman and has read it fifteen years. GRANT S. NEAL.

A Lady's Address Wanted.

Miss Mattie Spencer, who formerly lived in Troy, O., and who was last heard of in Indianapolis, would confer a favor by sending her address to Octie Calvest, 205 S. Elm street, Troy, O. Business of importance.

A Wedding in High Life.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Wm. Childress and Miss Florence Williams were married on Sunday night, the 22d inst., at the home of the bride on Grand avenue. Rev. J. M. Conner, of Little Rock, was in the city on Wednesday. It is rumored that the Majestic Hotel will open March 1st with Walridge as headwaiter. Tom Sanders left last week for El Paso, Tex. Walter Jackson arrived here last week from Paris, Tex, Mr. Overton is now headwaiter at the Waukeshaw hotel. Late arrivals in the city are: Mrs. God Bolt, Little Rock; Messrs. J. E. Wilson, Kansas City; W. H. Brownman, Chicago; Clarence and John Johnson, St. Paul, Minn.

Notable, Newsy Nuggets.

Houston, Tex., Special.—Mardi Gras was celebrated at two of the largest halls in this city on the 24th, and much interest was taken L. Jones is in Marlin. Lieut. Charles Lemons, of the Island City, was in the city on the 15th on business. The event of the season was the banquet given by the Hotel Men's Benevolent Association, which took place at Odd Fellows' hall on the 19th inst. Everything was up-to-date and those who attended are wishing for the next time. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hall went to Orleans on the 18th to witness Mardi Gras. Frank Chalnier was in San Antonio on the 15th. John Lewis has recovered from an illness of three weeks. Anyone wishing The Freeman should call on John Tanner.

Martha Washington Tea Given.

Washington, Pa., Special.—The Junior Mite Missionary society of St. Paul A. M. E. church was pleasantly entertained at a Martha Washington Tea at the church Saturday afternoon, the 21st inst., by its superintendent, Miss Libbie Skinner, assisted by Misses Della Caliman and Emma Frame. A choice program was rendered and the visitors present donated toward the treasury. Mr. and Mrs Charles Jackson, of Wheeling, W. Va, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cooper, in Lincoln street. A. N. Wheeler spent Sunday in Pittsburg. Dr. D. F. Caliman preached an interesting sermon on Sunday morning, the 15th inst. Miss Maggie Walls, a highly respected young lady, died at her home near Meadow Lands on the 14th inst., at the age of 54 years. Miss Walls was highly respected by all acquaintances. The funeral services were held on the 17th at the A. M. E. church. Mrs. Sarah Peck died at her home on the 17th at the age of 61 years. Miss Florence Hopper, of Avery Trade College, Allegheny, Pa., is spending a few days with her mother and father. Miss Minnie Thornton, of Pittsburg, spent Sunday with Miss Florence Hopper. Fred. Johnson is visiting in Newport News. Mrs. Pearl Thomas has recovered from her late illness. Miss Caliman is convalescing.

Social and General News.

Mound City, Ill., Special.—Mrs. M. M. Nance, Misses Anna Bolen, Minnie Cochran, and Mrs. Lula Bolen are on the sick list. Bert Craig has returned to the Soldiers' Home at Danville. Geo. Brown is reported as having the smallpox. Ed. Overby was here on business this week. Mrs. Winnie Felix, of Cairo, is in the city. Mrs. Belle Thompson is reported sick and in destitute circumstances in Terre Haute, Ind. The Missionary Baptists have canceled the entire debt of their church. Rev H. C. Burton spent Sunday with his family. Mrs. Fannie Hughes made a brief trip to Cairo last week. George Washingington, of Osman, Ill, has moved to this city. The names of Misses Josie Rucker and Mamie Johnson, of Brookport, were omitted from the list of Pulaski county teachers, also Miss Verna Price acquitted herself admirably as a soloist before the Tri-County Association. The Missionary Baptists have postponed their baptizing on account of the high water. An old soldier, of Cairo, was interred at the National cemetery here Sunday. The St. Charles Hotel has lately installed a new night porter, thus relieving the waiters of the task. Villa Ridge will have rural mail delivery beginning April 1st. A new public hall is being erected at Beechwood. Jas. Collins is employed at Joppa.

News Personal and General.

Wheeling, W. Va., Special.—The Olympia orchestra of this city is progressing very rapidly, and in a few months will be playing for all social functions. Miss Phœbe Stewart, of Washington, Pa., has been visiting Miss Mamie Jennings for the past week. The Dixie Jubilee Singers, under the management of W. C. Buckner, sang at the Y. M. C. A. on the 14th, and at the mass meeting for men at the Grand Opera House on the 15th. Frank Cumberland was well remembered on Valentine day. Misses Maggie and Eta Marshall were in Pittsburg for a visit recently. An excellent program was rendered by the pupils of Lincoln school on the 12th. In addition to the regular program the superintendent and Rev. Fyder gave fine talks, which were appreciated.

Lebanon News Notes.

Lebanon, Ky., Special—Mrs. Mattie Grunday, who has been very sick for a month or more, died on the 10th of February. Her funeral was attended at the white Baptist church on the 11th, Rev. Bowlding officiating. She was known as a christian and charitable woman. She leaves a husband and one brother and a host of friends to mourn her loss. Rev. H. G. Harris, who was called here to attend his sister's funeral, returned home this week. Rev. G. M. Fisher of Hopkinsville passed through this city on his way home from Campbellsville, where he has been holding meetings.

REV. DR. H. B. PARKS

AND HIS PECULIAR FITNESS FOR THE A. M. E. BISHOPRIC.

HE IS MAKING A QUIET HUNT!

And the Probabilities are that He will Bag the Game at the Next General Conference—The Scramble that will be Made for the Dr.'s Old Shoes.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—The A. M. E. church publishes two official papers under the control of editors elected by the general conference, and also publishes two papers under the control of departments, one the Missionary department and the other the Sunday School Union. For four years its cost in salaries, to publish the Christian Recorder, $10,800; the Southern Recorder, $5,400, making the salary paid to publish these two papers four years amount to the sum of $16,200.

The Voice of Missions is published monthly at a probable cost of $200 an issue, which would make its cost for four years amount to $9,600. It may be that the cost is some less than this and it may be still more, there is no way of telling as there are no meetings of the Missionary Board to go over the books and to publish the reports in detail. The annual report of the Missionary department consists of pages of gush about African Empires and Eldorado-like visions. Such vulgar facts as how much money has been paid for the personal traveling expenses of the secretary, his four clerks, who do not belong to our church, the cost of the really excellent paper, etc., are not mentioned in the reports.

The Missionary department is a barrel with the bunghole turned toward the office of the secretary, and the tiny spiket turned toward the heroic, credulous and patient missionaries. There is no Negro holding a Federal appointment who has half as good a thing as has Dr. Parks. This is not the fault but the good fortune of Dr. Parks. He sincerely loves Africa, and is the actual originator of the ideas that are now being put into practice in our African work. It is his ambition to be the next bishop of South Africa. This shows that he loves the work more than his present office. It is strange, but soon after he visits any particular district there soon pops up a hopeful aspirant for his place, and who is also an ardent advocate of the election of Dr. Parks to the bishopric. H. B. Parks is the most astute man now before the connection. His is a masterly mind and he manipulates his board and the church with smiling ease. His only hindrance in the effort to be elected bishop is the aspiration shared by Dr. Connor and Dr. Johnson. Dr. Parks is wise and wily and he knows that if he gets ten or twelve strong men from various sections anxious to promote his elevation so as to make an opening for themselves that he runs no risk of being re-elected to his old berth if he misses the bishopric. The twelve aspirants would trample over each other in such confusion that when the dust settled Parks would be complacently sitting in his elegant office in the Bible House, New York. Dr. Parks is just the slickest proposition the unsophisticated brethren have tackled during this generation.

It is said that Bishop Derrick favors Dr. Connor for the South African bishopric, and that Bishop Coppin's choice is Dr. J. A. Johnson. Bishop Tyree and others are counted as favoring Dr. Connor, and Bishop Gaines and others as favoring Dr. Johnson. Bishop Grant distinctly stated at Wilberforce that he would hold the matter under consideration, and no one can tell what will be his decision, but it will likely turn the scales. However, the astute Dr. Parks has a way of getting there alone. If he makes up his mind that he must be bishop, he will be, everything else to the contrary notwithstanding. A man like that would work wonders in South Africa. Perhaps it is destiny.

There are many more things that could be said in favor of Dr. Parks, but enough has been said to set the really thoughtful ones to thinking. Of course that, however, is no inducement, for they are moved entirely by their great concern for the foreign missionaries. The task of providing sufficient funds to keep the missionaries at work is a very hard one, as it costs about three dollars to pay the expenses of raising fifty cents to send away. The self-sacrificing spirit of the many good brethren who are getting on the altar and offering themselves for this severe work is certainly instructive if not inspiring. J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.
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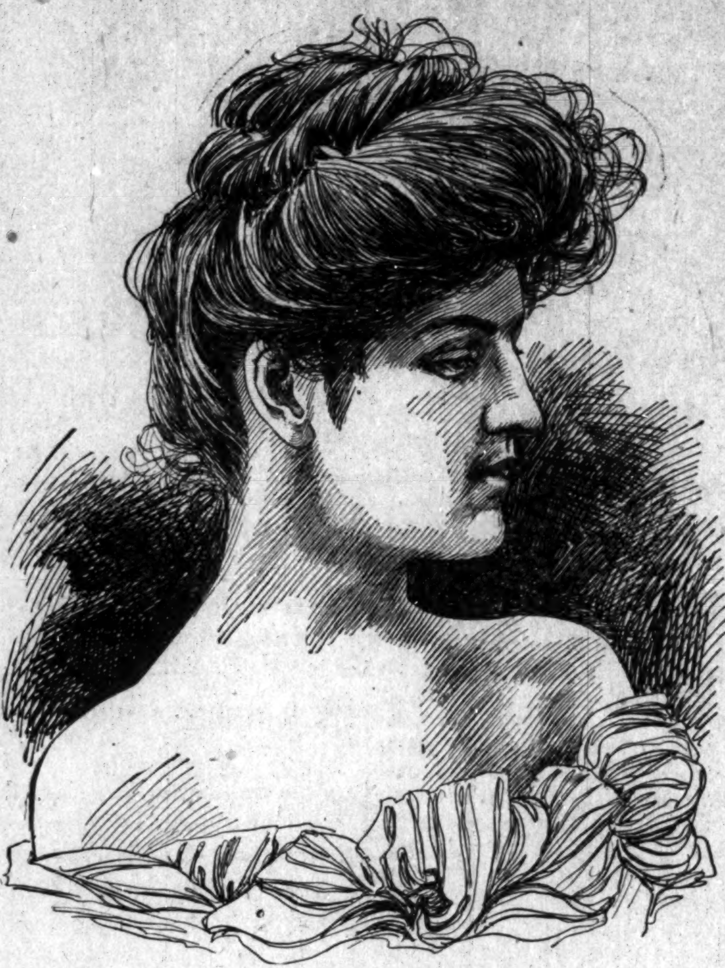

MISS JOSEPHINE LANE.

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"Words cannot tell how pleased I am to have my health back. I have a keen appetite and enjoy my meals; digestion is perfect. All my aches and pains have left me. I have gained nine pounds in weight and I feel in harmony with all the world because I am now perfectly well." Very sincerely, MISS JOSEPHINE LANE, 152 Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass.

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Some Important Points.

Columbia, Tenn., Special.—Glad to say that the People's Drug Co, which was organized a short while ago has given fresh inspiration to the Negroes of this city, as I am told, that in the near future a company of young men will start another enterprise of some kind. The Freeman can be had every Saturday by calling on Luther Miller. Dr. Warren of Shelbyville, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Armstrong last week. Dr. Warren preached a noble sermon Sunday morning the 7th inst., at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church. Prof. Thompson paid our city a short visit Sunday the 7th inst. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goodloe of 20 N. Hill street, entertained the Columbia Musical Club Monday night the 9th. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Peacock entertained the Coral Reef Club in their home, 9 N. Water street, Friday night the 13th. A vast concourse of friends congregated at White Springs Baptist Church the 9th inst., to show their respect to Aunt Lucinda Gantt, whose funeral was preached the on above date. She died at a ripe age, having been a Christian about 65 years. Mrs. Henry Jones in W. Fourth street is on the sick list. Jack Kingfield is ill at his home. The death of Mrs. Adeline Jones occurred Wednesday, 11th inst., at her home. Mesdames Dolly Watkins and Olly Brown continues ill. The Ladies' Thursday Evening Industrial Club met with Mrs. Lena Goodloe and the next with Mrs. Ellis Harris. The taxpayers of Macedonia should take some steps toward having that part of the town incorporated, so they could get good streets; good street. lights.

Lincoln Institute Notes.

Jefferson City, Mo., Special.—The Olive Branch, a society composed of the young ladies of the Senior and Junior classes, hold its meetings weekly on Saturday evening. The program is always instructive and well rendered. The debate at the last weekly meeting, 'Which has contributed the more to civilization, Virchow or Marconi," showed careful preparation and that these young women are making effective use of the reading room. The Olive Branch is distinctively a literary club and has membership in the National Association of Colored Women. The Institute has recently been favored with visits from many of the noted men of the race in Missouri, among whom may be mentioned Regent Harris, Elder Scott and Dr. Unthank, of Kansas City; Lawyer Farmer and Capt Campbell, St. Louis; Dr. Perry, of Columbia, and others. The presence of those distinguished gentlemen and their manly utterances have been an inspiration to the young people here; and the gentlemen in turn, one and all, have expressed themselves as highly gratified with the condition of things. Prof. J. S. Yates, head of the department of English, has been invited by President Bumstead, of Atlanta University, to deliver an address before the Eighth Annual Conference of Atlanta University, to be held May 26th. The entire amount of appropriation asked for by President Allen for the maintenance of Lincoln Institute for the ensuing two years has been favorably reported by the committee on appropriations of the State Legislature.

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BUSINESS NEGROES!

BRIEF RESUME OF PROGRESSIVE LEAVENWORTH CITIZENS.

MOVEMENT IN THE SOCIAL WORLD

The Afro-American is "Picking up" from a Financial Standpoint, and is Rapidly Climbing the Ladder of Fame—Notes Worth Reading.

Leavenworth, Kas., Special.—In a business way Leavenworth colored people are "picking up," as it were. Perhaps the most progressive among them are Sam. and Will Montgomery, who conduct a sample room on Fifth and Seneca streets. These young men have been in business here since July 16, 1901, and have enormously grown in popularity, which has added to their patronage of course, and to their purse. Sam. is but 31 years old, and "Moot," as Will is the more commonly called, 27, and both are destined to grow proportionately in business and social favor as they grow in years, as they are both courteous to their patrons and towns-people generally.——Dr. C. M. Moatee's practice and correspondence have grown to such an extent that he now finds it necessary to have a private secretary and a stenographer. Miss Goldie Young looks after these functions of his office. Dr. John A Taylor seems to be holding his weight among the heavy physicians in both a physical and financial way. He has been doing a great deal of carving lately, and not at the head of his family at the dinner table, either. He recently amputated a leg each of two of his patients and the losers of those members of the anatomy are coming around alright—on crutches, of course.——Mrs. Emma Allen, on Shawnee street, desires the theatrical folks to know that she conducts a boarding and rooming house at reasonable rates. Her place adjoins the Opera house.——T. J. Trusty, Sr., conducts a barber shop on Cherokee street, between Second and Third. It is on the south side of the street. Mr. Trusty will eventually meet much success in the road, as he is one among the best barbers in the country, it not being generally known that the "Trusty" razor, in use in nearly all first class shops, was named for him.——Police Officers Dennis Jones and Benj. Samuels are quite popular with their superior officers, and are unpopular with evildoers and criminals.——T. W. Bell is getting his measure of success in the law.——Mr. and Mrs. George Williams, in Chestnut street, served dinner to Messrs. Albert Clarke, of the Indian Territory, and Will Harris on Sunday. The dry goods and the wet goods were palatable and quite enjoyable.——Miss Emma Bruce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Bruce, is ill at her home.——Miss Dollie Griffin and Mrs. Mattie Sneed are expected in the city soon from Kansas City Mo., to see Mrs. Sarah Hill, who is quite sick.——The Moton Bros., John and "Babe," are furnishing guitar and mandolin music for swell white parties and soirees.——The cigars will soon be on Albert Robinson, as the stork is hovering over and around his wife's bed.——An orchestra comprising the below named musicians, has been the theme of conversation in local musical circles for the past several weeks: H. J. Humphrey, violin; Albert Robinson, 1st mandolin; Harvy Woods, 2d mandolin; W. E. Talton, guitar. The orchestra is but recently organized, and we don't know its name, but we suggest that it be called the Beethoven or Handel, as usual.——Joe Scott is now a fullfledged ladies' man. They run after and cry for him. We don't blame them; he earns from $12 to $15 a week, and that's big money in a country town like Leavenworth. Some of the boys don't see that much money in two months.——Bill Carter still resembles a top, he is so fat about the waist.——Oscar Harris is assistant ticket agent at the Missouri Pacific ticket office, a job he has held continuously for 25 years.——B. K. Bruce is principal of the South Leavenworth school. Bruce is one of the smartest men in the country to day, irrespective of race or color, and we are glad to know that such a man is in the ascendancy in Leavenworth.——H. H. Hill longs for the day when the politicians will have been run out of the Masonic lodge, for the good of the order, as one of whose staunch members and supporters he is. So do we.——Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Like are still giving satisfaction in the mess room at Ft. Leavenworth.

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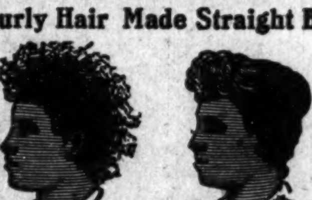

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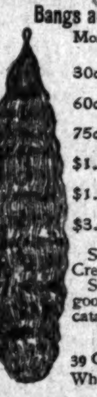

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W. E. Tucker, formerly headwaiter at the Albion hotel, Augusta, Ga., and late second waiter at the Chittenden, Columbus, O, has resigned from that hotel, and is now open for engagement.

The headwaiter that tries to please every waiter under his employ will find that he is trying to do the impossible. The very waiter you do the most for and protect from the onslaught of the employes of the kitchen and the kicks of guests will prove, in short, an ingrate.

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Mr. Editor—During the past few months there has been much discussion about colored waiters working under white headwaiters The defects and injury that the colored waiter would be sure to receive by so doing have been fully set forth. Also, it has been said that white waiters would not work under colored headwaiters. I do not desire to take issue with your former correspondent, but desire to try and seek the cause of this. Now, the question is, when a white headwaiter has been engaged to work colored sidewaiters, what must the sidewaiters do? To refuse to work under the white man just engaged would just give the proprietors a chance to install all white waiters, and I believe hasten the time when the proprietors would employ white waiters. I have worked under several white headwaiters, and I am sure in every case (with one exception) a white crew has succeeded the colored Now then it is a choice of two evils. And when it comes to be a question of work under a white headwaiter or no work at all, I claim that work under the white headwaiter is the lesser evil. It may not be as dignified, but dignity without any foundation, organization, public sentiment or money behind it will not reach the desired end. Now, then, what must we do? How can we best counteract the tendency to employ white headwaiters? Is it a fault of the sidewaiter that some managers want white headwaiters? If so, how can that best be overcome? Is it a fault of the colored headwaiters? If so, what is the remedy? Has the colored headwaiter neglected or failed to impress managers that he is as competent as a white man? Has the guest requested such a change? Or is it race prejudice? These are questions that should concern the colored waiters of the country, both head and side. I desire to say that I believe that the colored man is fully competent, and I have worked under those that were the superior of any white headwaiter that I have worked under. My object in writing is that I believe that there is a cause for this, and that cause, when found, should be removed. We must view things as they are, not as we would have them to be. While I am optimistic as to the colored waiter I feel that we, as waiters, have much to do to even hold our own. We must not only hold all that we have, but must strive to get more. There are many lessons that we could learn from the United Mine Workers of America. If I succeed in causing thought along the line of this article, and cause some one to propose a plan for bettering the condition of the colored waiter my object will be gratified.

JAMES F. ADAIR.

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Let Slip the Dogs of War.

The Chicago Tribune of February 12, 1903, says: "Waiters may force higher prices in lunch rooms and down town cheap restaurants. They are preparing a new wage schedule, and the employers say they will be obliged to raise their charges if more pay is granted. Leading restaurants are protected, in a measure, by the tipping system, strikes and prospective strikes."

We are pleased to note that the waiters of Chicago are aroused to the need of an organized effort to demand for themselves only what is justly their right for the prevailing hard times among waiters to-day in Chicago arises from the lunch room and cheap restaurant work in the down town district.

This lunch room employment particularly is simply a nuisance more than a help, for more time is exacted from waiters who follow this work, and they get the smallest pay of any in this part of the country. It is a hinderance to them in search of better work. The salary is so insignificant that I shall not mention it now.

Can any one doubt that the success and future of the colored waiter depends more upon the encouragement, support and aid of the headwaiters than upon their own manhood or organized efforts? If a father neglects the child's education can he expect the child to grow up to bright and useful manhood?

The colored waiters are severely criticized for working under a white man filling the position of headwaiter. In view of this fact is it not retribution? Still there are people who tell the public I can do wonders, why not tell the waiters to "go ahead, you have nothing to lose?"

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Thomas H. Frames, headwaiter at the Knutsford hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, after reading Mr. Goins' "American Colored Waiter," has ordered thirteen copies for his crew at the Knutsford.

Mayor Maybury of Detroit, Mich. gave a complimentary banquet to one hundred and fifty colored waiters and hotel employes of that city recently. Evidently Mayor Maybury has an eye to business.

Pete Andrews is now headwaiter at the Hot Sulphur Wells hotel, San Antonio, Tex. Mr. Andrews was formerly employed on the side at the Menger hotel of San Antonia by Headwaiter R. H. Bradley.

Chef Charles Joplin, who was for seventeen years chef at the Park hotel, Columbus, O., where he remained under many proprietors, until the hotel failed recently, has been made chef at one of the Harvey eating houses at Denison, Tex., by Superintendent Arnold, formerly proprietor of the Park at Columbus, O.

The waiter who is always on the go and always knows how the headwaiter should run the dining room, and thus become a chronic kicker and agitator, should get a "Jennie" of his own and demonstrate some of his executive ability.

The editor of this department has been warning the waiters of the rapid changes being made from the American to the European plan, and if the colored waiters wake up some day and find themselves left out in the cold they will have no one but themselves to blame. Hotels that have been conducted on the American plan for twenty to thirty-five years are now changing to the European plan. Among this number is the Neil house, Columbus, Ohio, Maxwell house, Nashville, Tenn., and Gayoso, Memphis, Tenn., Auditoriam and Palmer houses, Chicago, Ill., Denison, Indianapolis, Ind., West and Nicollett hotels, Minneapolis, Minn., and many others, but the above straws are sufficient to indicate which way the wind is blowing.

Mr. B. Holman, headwaiter of the Albion hotel, St. Paul, Minn., would like to know the whereabouts of Mr. John Lindsey, chef cook; would like to correspond with him on very important business. Please reply at once. 14-tf

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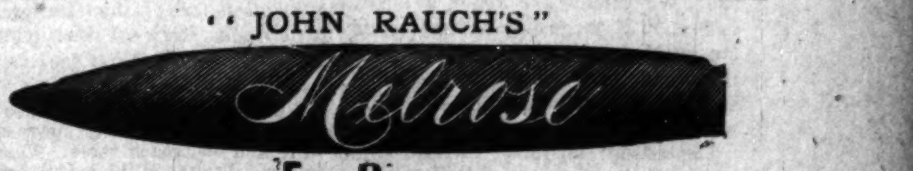

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"THE COMMERCIAL APPEAL" OF MEMPHIS, TENN.

The following from the Commercial Appeal of Memphis, Tenn., will prove very interesting reading to those who feel that the Negro has no home in America:

UNWISE APPEALS.

The furore raised by President Roosevelt in appointing Negroes to office and the postoffice trouble in Indianola, Miss., have inflamed public sentiment and aroused public indignation. The occasion has been seized upon by candidates for office and, if correctly reported, one conspicuous candidate for an important office in Mississippi is delivering addresses that contain appeals to race prejudice that are most unwise and which are calculated to do great harm

No matter what the Negro is, he is here. He was not consulted about being brought here, he is taxed for remaining here and they try to put people in jail for taking him away. Our industrious fellow citizen "Peg" Williams can explain this out of the abundance of his somewhat checkered experience. He is not going to leave because it is a physical impossibility for him to do so. He is going to remain. And no matter what eloquent politicians may have to say about it, the people do not want the Negro to leave. He is the agricultural laborer of the South and the South cannot get along without him. He is adapted to the country and to the Southern white people. His very improvidence is the strongest support of the white man's continued domination. The Southern white man is munificent and prodigal to recklessness and were he compelled to employ any other class of labor it would go ill with him. Drive the easy-going, careless and childish Negro out and tenant the plantations with Teutonic, Latin or Mongolian races and very few generations would pass before the descendants of the present day rich planters would be moving in covered wagons in search of new homes or working as servants and tenants of the new comers who would own the land. A Negro family may make $1,000 a season above expenses as many have done and are doing, but this as a rule is not invested in real estate which would make of the tenant master of a part of the soil. He must needs "blow it in" about Christmas time on foolish fineries, excursions and other forms of nonsense and he is already being fed and clothed or "furnished" by the landlord before a plow goes in the ground for next year's crop.

A thrifty, saving, frugal peasantry would herd and hoard every dollar coming into its hands and ere long would be lending the planter money or buying his land from him. The invincible stinginess of the European peasant would be an over-match for the open-handed generosity of the Southern planter, who is accustomed to the come-day-go-day, happy-go-lucky Negro laborer, and in time it would tell to the planters' disadvantage.

Hence the Negro is a necessity to the Southern white man, and he is going to remain He cannot get away and no one wants him to leave. He should remain and remain in peace, and on terms of good feeling and interdependence, and any one who, for the sake of political preferment or otherwise, inflames race prejudices and passions or in any way mitigates or destroys the existing good feeling does the Negro a great wrong and the white man a greater wrong. We must allow those engaged in the heat of the chase for office a long latitude and a liberal amount of opportunism, but when they pursue a course that is sure to do the public a grave injury they should be admonished of their error.

The tone of the foregoing article is indeed consoling to those who had begun to fear that the whites of America were endeavoring to run the Negroes out of the country. It is assuring because it is no uncertain sound, and right from the heart of the South, where it is thought that the greatest hostility exists We submit the above as a fair indication of the feeling of that section for the Negroes, and rejoice with them that it is, as it is, rather than that strained relation to the breaking point so much advertised.

The reasons set forth for the desirability for the Negro workman is not so flattering to him, nor to the Southern white man, for that matter, but it secures what is wanted and that is quite sufficient.

The great masses are working people, and if they are secure it goes a long ways toward the maintenance of peace and happiness. And it may be presumed that had this order of Negroes been left alone at first, uninfluenced by that political activity that hurts, their political status would not have been impaired as it is to day. The super-serviceable Negro, the half-baked class has done more than enough in arraying race against race, and unless those that have broader views come to the fore those that understand situations in spite of their seeming, civilly, much cannot be hoped. We have said time and time again that in one way or another that the philosophy of the situation is the thing. History, tradition, education, wealth, races, ethnologically considered, inject themselves into the equation and is as much a part of the warp and woof of man by education as the circulation of the blood is by nature.

Salutary influences are now at work which is having a tendency to reshapen opinion as it concerns the Negro. It is tinctured with pity and commiseration and patronizing withal, but it is promising, and the best results possible are expected.

It is to be hoped that the Commercial Appeal article will be read by many; it will be instrumental in restoring confidence that was being rapidly broken up The work of the President of the country, in a manner, is being supplemented from unexpected quarters, which again proves that the great heart of the country is right, and that there are thousands that have not "bowed their knees to Baal."

AN INTERESTING PUBLICATION.

"The Negro in Revelation, in History and in Citizenship" is a new book by Rev. J. J. Pipkin. Without injustice to the publication it can be said that the volume is pretensious, covering an extremely wide field of investigation, giving evidence of extended and conscientious research. It is encyclopaedic and historical in character as it concerns the Negro race, furnishing such information as will be helpful to the studiously inclined and to those who desire to be posted on the doings of Negroes of all times.

The author gives evidence of his optimism all along, and in fact the volume will prove an offset to the several books now before the public that do not put the Negro in a very enviable light. The writer seeks to deal with the truly meritorious, leaving the venal side to those that choose it. In doing this he has acted within the writer's sphere in choosing to speak of the worthy individuals and worthy deeds performed by them.

Under "Revelation" the author takes sides with those Bible critics and historians in the assertion that the Negro originated with Ham, one of the sons of Noah. In accordance with the belief he traces the dispersion of Ham's descendants to many parts of the earth. He insists that "mankind at the present day lies under infinite obligations to the genius and industry of those early ages, etc"

"The Negro as a Soldier" is an interesting chapter, reciting the deeds of valor and achievements of the Negro soldiery. The volume proves very valuable here, since it gives the names of distinguished Negroes who have won fame owing to ability and those made prominent by circumstances.

"The Negro in Politics, Journalism and the Lecture Field" is an exceedingly interesting chapter, since Negro ability and progress are judged largely from those view-points and because they seem to be the magnets for the masses of the more or less informed who seek a place in the public eye and mind. The list of eminents is long and interesting and as much so for what is omitted as what is given. The effort to give the Negro newspapers by States is commendable and that in itself ought to prove valuable for many purposes.

Those of the latter generations are not informed as to the number of Negroes that have sat in the congresses of the nation; it is here again that the volume shows its extreme value. In short it gives much of that peculiar information sought, but so difficult to find. The schools, the churches and general industry are dealt with in the same manner as noted above. Many likenesses of noted churchmen, schoolmen, politicians, editors, doctors and those of other professions are found in the work which, with its lively tone, makes it very desirable to have. It is published by the N. D. Thompson Publishing Co. of St. Louis, Mo.

NEGRO EQUALITY.

Considerable interest has been aroused by Judge Roger A. Pryor of New York, in the discussion of the race problem, by bringing forward this quotation from Abraham Lincoln in the celebrated Douglass debates:

"I have no purpose to introduce political and social equality between the white and the black races. There is a physical difference between the two which, in my judgment, will probably forever forbid their living together upon a footing of perfect equality; and inasmuch as it becomes a necessity that there must be a difference, I, as well as Judge Douglass, am in favor of the race to which I belong having the superiority. I have never said anything to the contrary: but I hold, notwithstanding all this, there is no reason in the world why the Negro is not entitled to all the natural rights enumerated in the declaration of independence—the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

This is a very exact statement of the most intelligent opinion of the country to-day, North and South. And that is why President Roosevelt's efforts to revive the race question as a political issue have resulted in dismal failure. The simple truth is that the Negro has both at the North and at the South his "natural" rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, except when he has lost them by the commission of crime, and the only difference between the two races is in political and social relations, as to which Mr. Lincoln said he had no purpose to introduce equality, because nature had set a barrier which could not be removed by man.—The Indianapolis Sentinel.

The Sentinel considers the above a ringer. It seems to think that the right to live, to be happy, to be free is enough for the colored people. What about the right to work in order to enjoy life and liberty? Colored people have never been satisfactorily employed. It is absurd to charge this and that as the reason for their condition. It is nothing more than the general prejudice; its in all.

The fight to be better employed so that life and liberty might be enjoyed has been a hopeless one. Employment of a kind has always been held out to the colored people, for which they are thankful; but the better class of employment comes from the race itself.

The colored people are disclaiming any intent toward social equality, while the newspapers and public men, many of them, the whites, argue as if the thing was really on.

The colored voters will abide by all tests for qualification as are honestly applied to all, regardless of color, as is set forth by the spirit of the constitution. Anything else will be set down as emanating from a species of prejudice that has in mind the total suppression of the colored man as a civil entity, and all the chatter about his shortcoming will be considered just so much argument in favor of the lines already mapped out.

HOME FOR COLORED ORPHANS.

The proposition that the State establish an industrial orphans' home for colored children is one of the matters that will be presented to the legislature. Senator Davis has received the bill from H. V. Eagleston of Bloomington, promoter of the home, and will offer it. The bill provides for locating the home at Bloomington and makes an appropriation of $50 000 for the purpose. Of this $5 000 is to be used in securing a site, $20 000 in the erection of buildings and $5,000 annually for five years for the maintenance of the school If in that time it does not become self-supporting the property is to revert to the State. A board of three trustees is to be named by the governor to have charge of the school.—The Sentinel.

The legislature can do no better thing than make some provision for the industrial education of the colored youths of Indiana, orphans and others. It is now apparent to all that the colored boy or girl must depend upon his race for the kind of employment that helps to make the race what it ought to be in order to command the respect of others.

An industrial school is really what is needed, on the order of Tuskegee, something to give incentive and to excite emulation. Other States of large colored population are doing something in a general way to maintain industrial schools; the future peace of the State and race actually demands it The young colored man and woman need courses of instruction that paves the way to good citizenship and to conditions as they find them existing. The halls and lecture rooms of schools are the place to sow the seeds, having even in mind that it is a condition that confronts and no theory.

It is said that the movement on foot looking forward to a convention of colored men to meet in Cleveland, Ohio, in the near future, is not actuated by the best motives The Freeman is for any good thing that promises to promote the best interests of all, but it is unalterably opposed to any and all meetings having in mind the denunciation of men or causes simply because it does not agree with them. It is said, and by those who ought to know, that the proposed convention is to be held for the express purpose of denouncing Booker T. Washington and incidentally the Republican party. Well, we are not in on either of the propositions We are free, but not quite so free as that—willing thralls to unperverted conscience especially as it concerns Washington and the Republican party. There are other things that might be done that will be of immensely more benefit than carrying out that proposed program.

Booker T. Washington in his speech in New York, on the 22d, admitted that the racial situation was grave, but not at all hopeless He said that the path to independence was that of hard work, honesty of purpose, clean living and thrift. He insists that bank accounts, homes and the employment of Negroes along their lines of attainment and professional capacities is a more eloquent argument than the most finely woven line of logic or rhetoric. Cool judgment should rule rather than a reign of rope and sword. Mr. Washington may be always depended upon to say the right thing at the right time. The miserable effort to cry him down by a few of his own kind is a shameful piece of business. While it does not detract from him yet it helps to fix a racial character which is by no means enviable.

Congressman Crumpacker despairs of seeing his measure for the reduction of Southern representation in the Federal Congress becoming a law. He says that he is now convinced that the race question is a matter of evolution. Regardless of our wishes in the matter, he is right. Legislation is the expressed desires of the majority. We are in for the peaceful solution of the problem; time and God are the elements; they will do the work.

Editor Johnson of the Kentucky Standard was in the city a few days last week. He says he will yet break the ice in Kentucky by breaking in the legislature of that State, the political north pole of Kentucky Negroes. Mr. Johnson is a scholarly man, one who would be a credit to his race and the legislature. Will the colonels let him in?

The elevation of the railroad tracks is a much discussed question at this time. The numerous accidents, the great loss of life at railroad crossings certainly call for some means that will lessen the chances of disaster. Elevated tracks may not make a lovely sight, but it is a matter of life and broken limbs.

Concert—News Items from Decatur.

Decatur, Ill., Special.—The concert given by the W. C. Concert Company, Thursday evening, Feb. 19, under the management of Wm Moore at Silver Leaf Club hall was a grand success. I think it an awful shame to be a resident of a beautiful city like this, and having paid particular attention to its progress for at least fifteen years, the amount of tax and other supporting funds rendered available by our colored citizens, then to see another fire house opened (making three in all) without one Negro representative even as a fireman. Are we to continue in silence? Not at this period. Time waits for no one; so awake, you leading representatives of your race in this city, and who have so frequently stepped forward and aided men of the other race to victory in many city and county campaigns of years past. Some of these same office seekers are holding office to-day, so allow me to prevail upon you to call on the gentlemen of authority to open the avenue of public positions to some worthy and deservable Negro. I am speaking of fire department especially and colored firemen in our city at present. Quarterly conference will be held at St. Peter's A. M. E. church Sunday, March 1st. Johnathan Rogan is still confined to his room, but slightly improved. A. D. Cecil & Co. report a much increased business at wall-paper hanging, cleaning and painting. Mrs. B. W. Nickens is quite ill at her residence in East Condit street.

Still They Forge to the Front.

Whatever Nationality claims "The Princess Losoros" as one of its daughters, who appeared at the Grand Opera House (this city) in vaudeville last week, may well feel proud of her marvelous ability as a classical singer and her matchless personal charms. If the Princess be colored then we, as a race, have much to be proud of. In spite of the strong foreign accent which accompanys her colloquial efforts, there is a prevailing impression here that the young lady is a daughter of Ham.

The turn introduced by Miss Grace Larue with the Bohemians, at the Empire theatre last week, was somewhat of a departure from the customary style in vogue by white female singers who subsidize the strength of their act by introducing picaninny assistants. In this particular instance the ebony juveniles are given so much scope, that they figure "very much the whole thing."

Miss LaRue is to be complimented for her broadness of mind in this matter. Nowhere throughout the entire "stunt" is one brought in contact with that flagrant restriction of the colored assistant that is so painfully manifested in some turns of similar character. She has shoved these two little fellows to the front, as it were, in a single lunge. The audience is agreeably surprised very early in the act at the extensive dialogue of the two little "coons." They handle their lines like finished professionals and their grotesque mannerisms are entirely free from that stiff doll-like action of similar lads serving in like capacity.

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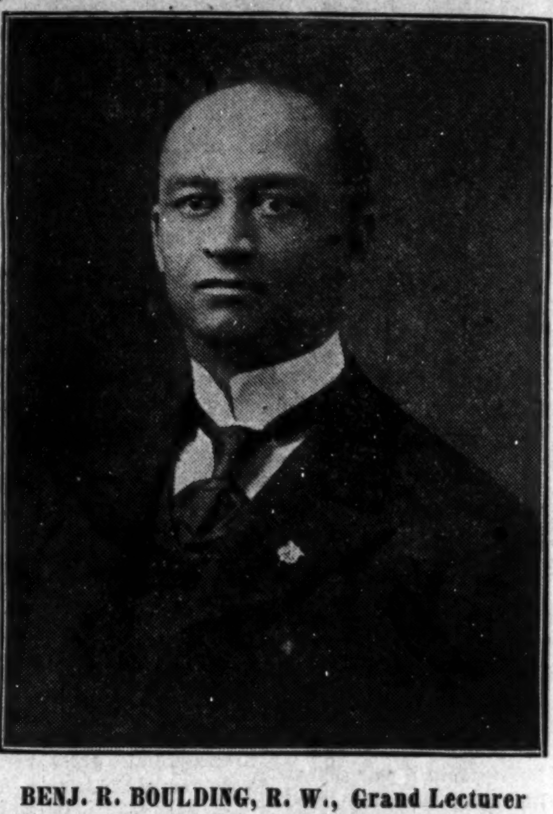

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DIVORCE LEGAL.

Chaplin Carter vs Maggie Carter	State of Indiana, Maion Co. ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion Co., In the State of Indiana. No. 12409 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 10th day of Feb. 1903, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Maggie Carter and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Maggie Carter is not a resident of the state of Indiana; and this cause is for divorce and that the last above named defendant is a necessary party thereto; and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 8th day of April 1903.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appears and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 8th day of April 1903 the same being the 3rd judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in April 1903, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

WM. E DAVIS, Clerk.

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MALLORY BROS. (Feuberg Stock, Co.)—Haverhill Mass., week of March 2.

THE HOTTEST COON IN DIXIE.—Uniontown, Pa, March 2; Connelsville, 3; Washington, 4; Wainesburg, 5; McKeesport, 7.

Oliver Carter, late of the Smart Set Co., has been in Indianapolis the past week.

Mrs. Neil G. Buckner, Mrs. Belle Stone Duncan, Mrs. Hattie Hobbs, W. C. Buckner, C. P. Williams, A. B. Willoughby and J. H. Johnson, members of the Dixie Concert Co., were in Indianapolis Sunday, enroute to Cicero, Ind.

Mr. Lloyd Cooper has just received word that his father, who was reported dangerously ill a few days ago, at his home in Mt. Vernon, Ind., is now able to be up again and able to argue with his friends, as they call, in the same old way. Stick with them Adam, nothing like it.

Rose Johnson, of Stetsons Uncle Tom's Cabin Co., is on her way home for the summer. She has been to the coast with Uncle Tom's Cabin Co., and she has made a big hit with her wooden shoe buck dancing. Will be at liberty May 15. Best regards to all her friends and Clarence Powell.

Plantation Day Co. Military Carnival Circus and Merchant, which was held at Shenectady, N. Y., Feb. 6 to 15, was a big success. Billy Ritchie was stage manager, John H. Smith acted as master of ceremony. Mr. Jackel and Warner, sole proprietors. Roster of company, Cora Scott, Payne Sisters, John H. Smith and Ritchie and Francis, Jack Woodine and Johnson and Brown.

Ellis T. Jackson writes: "This is our eighth week at playing dates since closing with the Graham's Southern Specialty Co., we have been well received at every place, the boy wonder responding to five and six encores nightly at Providence. Ellis T. Jr., was highly entertained by Madame J. H. Bell. On Thursday, being his afternoon off, he took three little girls, Miss Eva Bell, Miss Eveline Jackson and Miss Clara Walker to the Empire Theatre, to see the "Little Church around the Corner," This quartette of youngsters are only 7 and 9 years of age. After matinee, a lunch was served and Ellis T. Jr. entertained the party the rest of the evening, by solos on the piano, trombone, cornet and mandolin, and song. Kindest regards to H. Jackson and Frank Clarmont.

Notes from the Southern Carnival Co. and Old Plantation Show:

We are still in Carolina. This leaves everybody well and doing fine business....Company sends regards to the Hendersons....Little Henry Reese, better know as Eph, is singing with much success, "Pinky, Panky Poo."....Mrs. Douglas Banks Jones is playing "Fan Tan" and many other late pieces. ....Boyd sends regards to the Rays.... Punch Jones sends regards to Billie Earthquake....Frank Lenoat, better known as "Yellow" sends regards to all friends.....Charley Holdman is singing "Could you be true to eyes of Blue if you'd look into Eyes of Brown."....D. W. Tate is the king of all managers; he has a pleasant word and a smile for members of the Old Plantation.

Chicago, Ill. Notes.—A grand bill, under the management of Comedian C. H. Williams, of Peter's vaudeville house, 2401 State street, is on this week, headed by a comedy entitled "Alphonse and Gaston." King of magicians, Prof. A. Moore, is principal upon the bill. Billie Carroll, in his original old man character, Miss Stevens, Alberta and Callie Kibbs, in song and dance, are making good also. C. H. Williams, the comedian, is still singing his and other people's songs, and is captivating the audience, receiving continual encores. Edward Hill, the accompanist, is one among the best, on scores of new marches, songs, etc., on the piano, pleasing all who hears him. The entire company send regards to friends.

Mose Terrig and Frank Walker, the society sketch team, open at Clark St., museum the 9th of March. They send regards to McKissick & Jones, Ed. Looney and Biller Miller, of Hottest Coon in Dixie Co. McKissick & Jones please answer letter. They are making good, and have a clever act.

Murphy and Slater are the hit of the vaudeville whilst in the city. They send regards to all friends.

Irving Jones opens in Detroit, Mich., next week.

Will Thomas has joined hands with the famous Billie Caldwell, and they are making the hit of the season. Managers don't look over them, you are camping out if you do.

Napoleon Johnson writes from Big Minstrel Festival: As the old saying is, the bitter goes with the sweets, so it has proven in our case, we have been having the sweets all the season—in regards to the weather—now we are having the opposite, and instead of looking for a shady palm tree, we are seeking a red hot stove. Business in the Carolina's has been up to the standard and although there are a number of new faces here now, yet the press and public voices us one of the best minstrels traveling. Wm. Garland, tenor soloist, is now singing "Just a Chain of Daises," "Rose of Kilarney" and "Loves Avails." He makes high C with ease nightly, and is quite a hit in first part. I am singing the old reliable "Alabama," assisted on chorus by the quartette. The band under Elmo Dodd, is winning new laurels in rendering "Wm. Tell, Poet and Peasant and Fantaque." Harry Kraton made a flying trip home from Raleigh, and reports all well and a jolly good time. While there, Henry Perry, slide trombone player, closed, and Joe Ricks and Richard E. Hayes were shaking hands with friends and relatives. We met our friend Jno. Haywood, who had to leave the company early part of the season on account of sickness. Hayes was all smiles to find his wife and twins well and enjoying the best of health. Fred Campbell, of the Campbell Bros., was the next one to join the ranks of the diamond kings, as he is sporting a $125 ring on his finger. He sends regards to Geo. Bryant, and get the route of the Gideon's Minstrel. William E. Cooper, solo cornet player of Jacksonville, Ill, and Frank Hanset, trombone player, joined us in Danville, Va., and is quite an addition to the band. Dude Kelley, S. H. Dudley, Simpson and Pittman, Clarence Powell and Allie Brown, send regards to the Greasy Front and all New York and other friends. Since James E. Lightfoot left, I am appointed mail man. Would like to hear from Allen Sauls and all friends.

Wm. Hallback, of the New Orleans Minstrels, writes that our beloved manager, Mr. Sine, has just recovered from an awful lump in his back from carrying the load of gold and silver that brains and skill has justly earned for him in Key West, Fla. We arrived in Key West at 6 p. m., which was too late to pitch our big canvas. We played in the opera house, with no parade. The house was sold out at five minutes to 7, and the sale of tickets was stopped, turning away about 400 people. Well to make it short, we played to five packed houses and not withstanding we sailed from Key West at 10:30 p. m., which was thirty minutes after our last show, we had a good sized audience, to have a hand shake and get a farewell glance at us.. So you can see that the show more than made good. Among the new faces who joined us in Tampa, are The Watts, a soubrette and comedian, in a very laughable sketch, which caught on the first night, making a decided hit leaving them screaming. The next was the Great Johnson's, lady and gent, doing an aerial and slack wire act, which captured the audience; the last but not least is Mr. James Howard, a sweet tenor singer, who made good, singing first tenor in the Aetna Quarteete. The headliners is as of old: Misters Jame Wise and Kid Airent, the extreme, and your humble servant the last edition who is trying to do the best he can.

Mr. H. H. Hunt, is quite jubilant upon having some company as Mr. Andrew Williams, the frog man, who joined us at Lakeland. The Alabama Wizard don't speak to the comedians, that the kind we need boys, instead of him being sore, he made a friend of the frog man. Take this as a tip fellows, as for us, we are one happy family from the strangers down. The ghost walks at the appointed hour, and from the calmness of the boys who the ghost is walking with, a stranger might think that they were reared in a cemetery.

At this writing all is well, with exception of our solo alto player, Mr. Jean Pittman, who is confined to his bed with pneumonia, ubt is recovering. Will be glad to see him on his feet again. We send regards to everybody; the writer sends regards to D. I. Thomas and P. Chappell and says Pat be sure and play the same town, the rabbit foot comedy left a good rap behind last season, and from what I am hearing every day, you ought to get the money.

I'm for the race, see.

J. Harry Jackson sends the following from New York City:

Williams & Walker and a big company of Negro entertainers are the stellar attraction at the New York theatre, which is one of the leading places of amusement in the metropolis. They began an engagment, which is slated for four weeks, on the 18th inst., and the theatre has been packed at each performance, notwithstanding the severe criticism of a local daily, from a prejudicial standpoint, and the outlook is that the engagement will certainly will a success both artistically and financially for all parties concerned. The color line has been drawn during this engagement, a certain part of the house being set apart for the colored people; nevertheless they are there at each performance, arriving in, automobiles, coaches, coupes and a foot attired in evening gowns, Tuxedos and swallow tails, just the same as the members of the "white 400." At the opening performance there were over one thousand colored people in the house. "In Dahomey" has caught Broadway. The clean work of Messrs. Williams & Walker has made them metropolitan favorites. The characters depicted in "In Dahomey" are typical, and more than a few of the members are genuine actors. Besides the stars those having parts which they depict intelligently are: Pete Hampton, as "Cicero Lightfoot;" Alex Rogers, as "Geo. Reader;" Geo. Catlin, as the "chinaman" and Fred Douglass, as "Dr. Straight." The whole show is running full of go and dash, and it has been pronounced the only "real" novelty that has been on Broadway this season. The stage settings are attractive and the costumes gorgeous and beautiful.....Johnson & Pearl were a big card on the big vaudeville ibll last week at the Circle Theatre, Percy G. Williams' new house on 60th street and Broadway.....Christian, the phenominal foot-cyclist, is in the city, after an absence of several seasons.... Charles H. Moore, the genial president of the Douglass Club, able to be around again, after a severe attack of the pneumonia.... Rastus & Banks were at the Atlantic Garden last week....Billy Levard was circulating among his many friends in this city last week. He is a member of the "In Old Kentucky" company, which filled an engagement last week, at the New Star Theatre....Lewis Coles left the city Monday for Atlantic City, where he joins Prof. Hooper's Champion Cake Walkers, for the season.... Hodges & Launchemere were at Proctor's 58th Street Theatre, Sunday night. ....Geo. A Hammond has returned to the Douglass Club as manager, and under his supervision alterations are being made from the top floor to the basement....Miss Mattie Allen and her four pickanninies are scoring a big success in the Metropolis. Mr. Jno. W. Tunston is her manager, and he dedeserves much credit for the way which he has introduced this new star to the managers of this city....Sidney Perrin, the well-known songwriter, has returned to Gotham for permanent residence. Mr. Perrin states that his latest efforts: "It's Little too Hot for Me," "Just to Please you Sue," and I'm Tired Being Alone," will soon be on the market....Ver Valin & Godman have joined hands again and are working out a new musical act....R. H. Barnett was in the city last week.... Shepard N. Edmond's latest success entitled: "You Can't Fool all the People all the Time," is one of the biggest song hits on Broadway. It is being featured by Miss Marie Cahill, the star of the musical farce "Nancy Brown," which is enjoying a run at the Bijou Theatre...."Slim" Morgan is still at the helm in the music room of the Newport....Don't forget you can get the Freeman every Saturday at Slaughter's tonsorial parlor, 114 W. 31st street, under the Douglass Club. Read it and keep up with the times...."The Smart Set," headed by the two well-known metropolitan favorites Messrs. Ernest Hogan and Billy McClain opened at the 14th street Theatre, Monday afternoon, to a packed house. The engagement is for two weeks and no doubt they will have large houses at each performance. Among those with this aggregation will be found Ben Hunn, Mme. Cordelia, Mattie Wilkes-Hogan, Russell Brandon and Jerry Mills....A large and appreciative audience was present Tuesday evening, February 24, at the Shakesperian recital and musicale at Tammany Hall, which was given by the talented reciter Mr. Charles Burroughs. He was ably assisted by Mr. Jno. H. Johnson, pianist, Max Mauds, an accomplished violinist, and Mando's New York Standard Orchestra. Mr. Burroughs essayed roles of Shakespeare's "Macbeth" and "The Merchant of Venice" in a most scholarly manner, while the musical numbers by this orcheestra were highly appreciated by all present.... "Suwanee River" is at the Third Avenue Theatre....The Freeman every Saturday at Slaughter's tonsorial parlors, 114 W. 31st Street.

Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels.

We are now touring Kansas with excellent business so far. Our show is running smooth and receiving excellent press notices daily from the papers. A few extracts from the Council Bluffs Daily Nonparel—"In spite of the W. C. T. U. agitation" against the Sunday theatre, 1,000 people gave their attendance to one of the best, neatest and most refined Minstrel performances that have ever visited our city. The show was put together with Twentieth century talent, getting better from starte to finale, closing with the one big act that was orignated and revised by the (always cute) "Kid" Langford. This name flourished upon him by the ladies of three cities, viz: Omaha, Council Bluffs and Kansas City, calling him the always cute "kid." This is what the Nonparel says of our Olio: "All of the olio was marvelous, opened with the great Shields doing an astounding hoop act, entirely different from all others, then came the great monologuist, Ed. Tolliver, with all revised ideas of that line of work; then came the Houseley Bros., in their unique and meritorious musical specialties, which were by far the most original and best appreciated of the entire company, and J. W. Cooper also proved to be the most talented ventriloquist ever seen in the city. He operated four dummys as a quartette. In response to an encore, a lame soldier of the civil war was produced, making one of the most noved features of the evening. .Harry Fiddler got his as a Chinese impersonater, and them screaming, the Famous Alabama Quartette, composed of Kid Langford, Oscar Cameron, Smith & Dixon, is simply immense. .Taking all in all, we pronounce the No. 2 Richard & Pringle Georgia Minstrels a Twentieth century show."

Frank Clermont has made a wonderful addition to the band and orchestra by purchasing a bran new first class cornet of the York Co., and make.

Our company is well and looks well and is reporting with a smile nightly for duty.

Regards to all friends in and out of the profession. George Swan write.

Chas. T. Watts and the Houseley Bros., visited Kansas City, Sunday February 8, and was entertained by Mrs. H. A. Watts, of Kansas City. After dinner they attended a first class show at the Auditorium, presented by Black Patti and her Troubadours, which was quite meritorious. Mr. John Rucker one of the members of the company was real ill and not able to work, as he was then undergoing an operation for tonsilitis.

Harry Fieldler, of the Richard & Pringle Minstrels, did not close at Council Bluffs as he had intended, and his close now is indefinitely. He sends regards to all friends.

Frank Clermont says to Ralph Nicolas, an answer to his last letter now awaits him at Freeman office. Frank Jackson write me as per route.

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THE IMMIGRATION QUESTIONS.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

When Mr. Ben Hunn went south and advocated Southern immigration for actors, last winter, I disagreed with him, but did not want to take exceptions to every defective proposition that appeared in the Freeman stage columns at that time.

The weakness in Mr. Hunn's argument lies in the fact that he did not remain South long enough to prove his advocacy.

However, I have not taken up this subject on the strength of any particular person's theory, neither do I expound it for or against any particular local enterprise in the South or other places.

This subject which is mainly for young performers will be of material interest to some of the local managers also.

—Europe by Interview.—

In a recent interview with a young friend, who had travelled through Europe for the past three years, I have extracted enough ideas to give out some good logic for actors who have not been across the briney deep, or those who contemplate going.

The voice and the color, seems to be the main thing which attracts in the old country. Dancing is a second party. Negro dialect and nonsense is a good third. Rag-time coon songs are scarcely understood by the natives as a whole, and it will be a long time before the people are up to their humor.

Billy Farrell does not depend on coon songs for success, he has copied the English cockney. Chirgwin, the white-eyed kaffir, said to be American born, who once failed in his English specialties at Hammerstein's Olympia in New York, never uses rag-time.

Goggin and Davis succeeded on the merits of their acrobatic antics, and it would have been even more favorable for the public to have known that they were colored Johnson and Dean succeeded by clever dancing and Belle Davis helped herself along with the aid of cunning cute little darkies.

—Southern Immigration.—

There are no objections to Northern and Western performers going South to fill engagements if they choose. It is not advisable for the brightest performers of the North and West to immigrate South. The prestige of the Negro profession must be established in the North. The Southern managers who run vaudeville performances and exclusive southern shows, should encourage the young performers of the South and give them a chance. The best natural performers who will spring up in the future will be found among the Southerners, providing the managers in the South give them a fair chance to prove what they can do.

The way for managers of cheap price houses to get a good supply of performers is to give all the ambitious amateurs a chance and then pick out the best. The South is vast, the populations of the Negro race is larger than North, East and West put together and there is no reason why Southern managers cannot supply themselves with talent without seeking them in the North.

When the Southern performers become proficient, and, if they have good education, they must first start out through the West, and end up in Chicago.

When they have captured Chicago, it's time enough to think of going East.

—The Western Country.—

The western country covering more territory than other portions, the first thing to study would be economy. The young actor who runs short of cash out on the prairies will have a long walk.

Every young actor who gets broke may not possess nerve enough to run the risk of being thrown from a Big Four freight car, running at full speed, and land on his feet. The West is an easy apprenticeship for a clever, honest young educated performer. Bravery and nerve as well as good manners must all be acquired before he reaches the flowery country of the North and East. The West excuses everything, the East does not. Prepare to arrive in New York healthy.

—The North and East.—

When you reach New York, everything will depend on what you have done or what you can do.

If you are a vaudeville star, fresh from the Castle or Orpheum circuits of the West, you will be able to go over the Keith or Proctor circuits of the East at once. If you are afraid of yourself, don't apply for anything in New York.

After you have explored the big city for a holiday, set sail for Boston tomorrow. Don't return to New York again until you have played every museum in Boston and the New England States, and then you may return, managers will al know whether you are any good or not by that time.

New York is the chief city of reputation. Boston comes next. No other two cities in America gives reputation to a colored performer that is universal. Chicago comes third and Philadelphia fourth.

Neither of these two cities compare in any way above the ordinary in making a colored performer famous.

These facts are well-known to reputable actors who should quite agree with my discourse, but this subject was drawn more for the young generation than for them.

Songs and Singers.

Marie McNeil, with the Fenberg Stock Company, is featuring "Good Night Beloved, Good Night," as a cornet solo.

Anna Wilkes, the clever little comedienne of "A Desperate Chance" Company, is introducing "Is That All You've Got to Say."

Sadie Kirby, for many years a Hoyt favorite, will go in vaudeville shortly, and will feature Standish and Silberberg's popular song, "My Ebony Queen."

NOTICE.

In our next issue, Mr. J. D. Howard will tender his latest offering, "Thou Shalt Be," a storyette of strong creative construction and wide imaginative scope. The sketch deals with the present Negro as he will appear in his several capacities in the middle of the twentieth century. Mr. Howard concludes the tale with his well-known style of tantalizing denouncement. Illustrations by Haywood.

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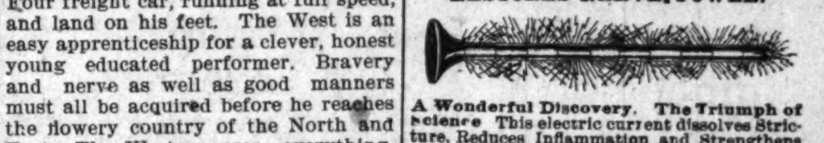

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Killed by a Locomotive.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.—Clem Williams, a little boy, was run down last week by a locomotive, and his body was horribly mutilated, his head being severed from his body. Judson Davis, the well known musician, is in Memphis, Tenn. D. S. Johnson has opened a first class bar in Hoboken, and handles a fine line of goods P. G. Brown, of Florence, Ga, visited in the city last week. The representative of The Freeman spent last Sunday in Cuthbert and Ft. Gaines, Ga.

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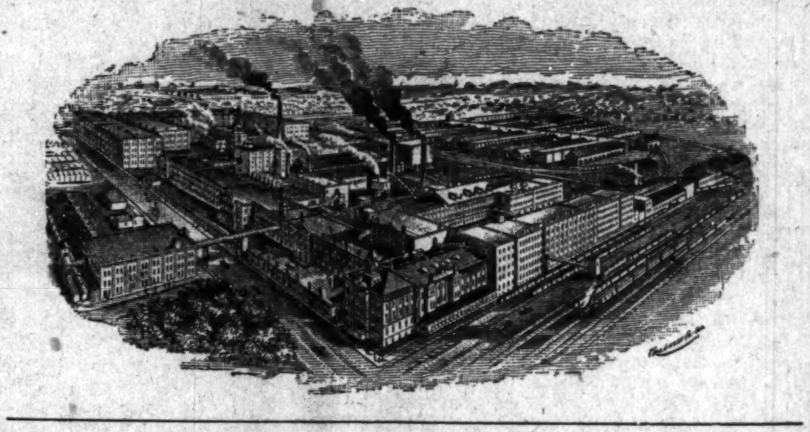
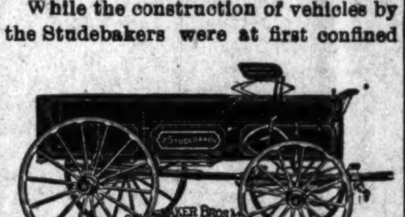
The present firm of Studebaker Bros. Manufacturing Company commenced business in a small shop for shoeing horses and repair work in South Bend, Ind., in February, 1852. A few tools and cash to the amount of sixty-eight dollars constituted the outlay of capital. The father of the Studebaker brothers, at the first Studebaker wagon shop in Ashland, Ohio, had taught them his trade. During the first year of their business in South Bend two wagons were made; the annual output now is 100,000. The growth of the business was naturally, at first, slow. Twelve years found them making a few wagons, but struggling hard for recognition away from home. In 1857 a contract for wagons for the use of the United States troops in Utah gave them their first substantial upward impetus. They had gained recognition abroad. They were quick to make the most of every advantage, and ground once gained was never afterwards lost. They were chartered as a stock company in 1869.



While the construction of vehicles by the Studebakers were at first confined to wagons they very early in the history of the company engaged in carriage making, embracing every variety in common use (for pleasure or road driving) from the state landau of a president down. In wagons the variety is equally great, covering those not only in demand for the farm, but the mountain, the mine, the plain and the infinate variety demanded for use in the cities. The works also contain departments for the manufacture of steel skeins and cast skeins used on Studebaker wagons and sold to the trade.



Every section of the globe is dotted with factories engaged in the building of vehicles; one factory confines itself to the building of the presidential landau and the state carriage, another builds the coupe, and another the family carriage, and still another the surrey, the phaeton and the buggy, and so on for the cart, the trap, the great city truck, the delivery and fancy wagon, the spring wagon, the farm wagon, and the United States ambulance, mail and army wagons. Yet there is one plant, and only one, that is engaged in the manufacture of ALL these different classes of vehicles, and that is the establishment of the Studebaker Brothers' Manufacturing Company in South Bend, Ind. J. D HOWARD.

COMMENTS OF THE NEGRO PRESS

As an attempt to compensate the ex-slaves for the hardships endured by them, Senator Hanna endeavors to introduce a bill before the Senate which will permit ex slaves to draw pensions from the government. How inopportune comes a pension to ex-slaves after almost forty years of freedom. How much more acceptable would it have been immediately after the declaration of freedom, when the poor slaves had no homes to call their own.—The Palladium, St. Louis, Mo.

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The next President of the United States will be Marcus Alonzo Hanna. If Mark Hanna can wait until Roosevelt serves his country another term he may be the next president; but if his friends propose to pit him against Roosevelt next year both he and they will be crushed to the earth with popular condemnation, and the united Negro will furnish his share of the crushing machine. We do not believe there is a self-respecting, race-loving Negro in this country who would oppose Roosevelt for anybody.—Chicago Conservator.

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The ex-slave pension bill is being discussed a great deal, but it will be a dark night in August when the colored people get a few dollars from Uncle Sam —Memphis (Tenn.) Evening Striker.

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Mark Hanna has introduced a bill in congress to pension the ex-slaves, this is proof were everything else lacking that

"A little nonsense now and then
Is relished by the wisest men."

—Dallas (Tex.) Express.

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We cannot look with good faith upon the introduction of a bill to grant a bounty and pension ex-slaves. We do not believe those behind the move have any motives otherwise than morbid vain glory and a desire to advance more their own ends than those of the worthy and deserving ex-slaves. We are, however, inclined to look with pleasure upon its introduction by Senator Hanna, whom we believe was prompted to give it endorsement purely from a courteous and kindly standpoint rather than the anticipation of political advantages, for we consider him too wise to have failed to see the folly of such a step at this time for political ends.—Lexington (Ky.) Standard.

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The ex-slave pension bill introduced in congress by Senator Hanna has spoken wonders to many of our black brothers, but be not deceived. We believe this to be only a political scheme with only that intent of the originator. We would thank Mr. Hanna to introduce a bill to restore to legal black citizens the right of sufferage and citizenship, then they could assist him in his ex-slave pension bill. We will get along all right if a bill of this nature is never presented or passed. We do not ask for past retribution, but present rights and full citizenship.—Arkansas Appreciator, Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

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And now Senator Hanna has introduced a bill in the Senate, having for its object the pensioning of ex-slaves.—The True Reformer, Richmond, Va.

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We advise the colored voters everywhere to get up petitions and send them to their congressman and senator asking them to support this measure.—The State Capital, Springfield, Ill.

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Senator Marcus A. Hanna of Ohio has introduced a bill in the senate to pension ex-slaves This is a great winning card for Negro vote in 1904, and no man knows it better than Hon. M. A. Hanna. While the measure would be a desirable one, and there are a large number of ex-slaves who would be beneficiaries should the bill be favorably reported, yet we think it hardly probable that such will be the case.—Rock Hill (S. C) Messenger.

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Senator Hanna, who introduced the bill in the senate for pensioning old slaves, says that he merely performed the act per request, and that he knew nothing more of the merits of the bill than is expressed in its title. This is a poor reason to give for his act. It is his duty to know more than stated about any measure before introducing it. Those who intrusted the matter to him did so because they either regarded him as a friend or wished to use his influence and name to perpetrate a fraud on the innocent and in many cases ignorant ex-slaves.—Terre Haute (Ind.) Eagle.

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We have together with other race journalists used our best endeavors for the past six years in stamping out the ex-Slave Pension fraud, which operates under the name of the Ex-Slave Pension Association. A few years ago public agitation of this matter caused the Post Office Department to deny the gang of swindlers who were operating under the name of this society the use of the mails These rascals who are robbing ignorant colored people who have not sufficient clothes to wear, food to eat or fire to keep them warm have been rendered material assistance by the action of Senator M. A Hanna in introducing a bill in the United States Senate, having for its object the pensioning of ex-slaves. Senator Hanna may have done this thoughtlessly to accommodate a friend. If so, he has now had opportunity to learn that he has given aid and countenance to one of the most gigantic swindles of the present day, a swindle upon people who can least afford it.—From Editorial in Odd Fellows' Journal Philadelphia.

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Thus it would appear that the senior Senator from Ohio, perhaps with the best of motives, is playing into the hands of a set of swindlers who are prying on the ignorant and illiterate of the race It is hard to conceive what motives prompted Mr. Hanna to introduce such a measure, when he must have realized that there was no possibility of its ever being enacted into a law. His action can only be used as a means of still further gourging the ignorant and credulous victims of this scheme, which has been in operation in remote sections for a number of years —New York Age.

Mrs. Laura L. Barnes, Washington, D. C., Ladies Auxiliary to Burnside Post, No. 4, G. A. R., recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Society and Personal Notes.

Hannibal, Mo., Special.—The Woods and Jones concert company, gave a musical entertainment at the Christian Mission Church, Thursday evening of last week to a large audience. Elder J J. Fugate has accepted a call as pastor of a congregation near Centre, Mo., and will take charge and preach his introductory sermon the first Sunday in March. Mrs. Emma Robertson and little son, Harold of Kansas City, are guests of her mother, Mrs. Emily Campbell. The funeral of Alvin Irvin was held Sunday the 13th at 2 p. m., from the Christian Church, interment in Baptist cemetery. William H. G. Elgin and Miss Nora Johnson were united in marriage recently. The funeral of Mr. Samuel Smith, one of the oldest members of Allen Chapel—that of 64 years, occurred last Monday week. The old soldiers and relief corps turned out in a large body. Get The Freeman every Saturday from the agent, Walter W. Booker, 109 Washington avenue.

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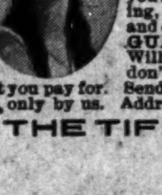

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A LADY of New Iberia, La.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17. 1902.

Madame McNairdee, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Madame.—Your letter like a ray of sunshine, came duly to hand and I am very pleased with it, for every word of it were true; I am sorry that I did not write to you months ago. I enclose $6.00 for your service, hoping that you may be successful in bringing about desired results. I feel quite sure that you can. I am very sorry to hear of your being ill, and sincerely hope your speedy recovery.

Molino, Fla., Nov. 14, 1902.

Madame:—You are the proper person in the proper place. All that you say is true and all you do is good. May God bless you. F. J.

Guntersville, Ala., Oct. 26, 1902.

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A LADY of Fort Gibson, Ind. T.

Madame.—I feel it my duty to do this for you are all you advertise. Just think my husband and I have been separated 2 years; I called on you in September and in a week's time he returned and married me, and I can't praise you too much. Ladies that are heart-broken by family troubles, love affairs and bad luck until it seem that life is a blank, call or write to this dear lady, she will do you good; she will tell you to trust God and she will do the balance, and she will.

A LADY of Rossland, B. C.

Dear Sisters and Brothers—Call on her when you can, she will be please to meet you and will when ever you wish to. She devotes her entire time for the welfare of the people believing God will reward her. She will make your very soul glad to hear her talk of heaven for she writes such soul searching letters, tells you how to make home happy. Please always enclose stamp for answer. Here she is as she looks today and a bride three weeks.

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Is the leading colored Fraternal Society of the United States. It was organized January 1881 by William H. Browne and chartered in April 1883 under the laws of the State of Virginia with headquarters at Richmond, Va. Its membership is both male and female and consists of all persons of good health from fourteen to sixty years of age. Its membership of 60,000 is divided into Fountains and Circles. It pays sick benefits from $1.50 to $2.50 per week and pays death benefits from $21.50 to $1,000.00.

BENEFITS PAID.

Total benefits paid to date: Sick Dues, $1,500,000.00; Death Benefits, $714,373.75.

SENIOR FOUNTAINS.

A Fountain may be organized consisting of twenty or more persons not over fifty years of age paying a joining fee of from $4.60 to $5.10 each. The monthly dues are not less than thirty-five cents in rural districts and not less than fifty cents per month in towns and cities and a semi-annual tax of forty cents paid in January and July of each year. Sick benefits paid are from $1.50 to $2.50 per week, while death benefits range from $75.00 to $125.00. A Fountain may be organized in any locality on application to Rev. W. L. Taylor, G. W. Master, or to any of his authorized deputies.

ROSEBUDS.

For the proper training of the young and their development in thrift, industry and brotherly love, there has been formed a Children's Department known as the Rosebuds. Twenty or more children not less than three nor more than fourteen years of age may form a Rosebud, upon the payment of $1.00 each. This department like the Senior Fountain pays sick benefits from $1.00 to twenty-five cents per week and death benefits from $24.50 to $37.00. The monthly dues are fifteen cents per month.

CLASSES.

Persons desiring to leave their beneficiaries at death a larger amount than is paid from Fountain department take out policies in one or more of the Classes of the Mutual benefit degree. The members of this degree are devided into Circles and pay joining fees and dues according to the following tables:

CLASS "B" TABLE

AGES.	Joining Fee.	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 2 50	$ 200 00	$ 100 00	$ 4 75	$ 1 20
25 to 30	2 75	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
30 to 35	3 00	200 00	100 00	4 75	1 20
35 to 40	3 25	200 00	100 00	5 70	1 43
40 to 45	3 50	140 00	70 00	5 79	1 43
45 to 50	3 75	115 00	58 00	6 65	1 66
50 to 55	4 00	90 00	45 00	6 65	1 66
55 to 60	4 25	65 00	33 00	7 60	1 90

CLASS "E" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate after 1 yr	Value of Certificate before 1 yr	Annual Dues	Q'rterly Dues
14 to 25	$ 5 00	$ 500 00	$ 250 00	$ 9 50	$ 2 50
25 to 30	5 25	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
30 to 35	5 50	500 00	250 00	9 50	2 40
35 to 40	5 75	500 00	250 00	14 40	2 60
40 to 45	6 00	450 00	225 00	10 40	2 60
45 to 50	6 25	400 00	200 00	11 40	2 85
50 to 60	6 50	350 00	175 00	11 40	2 85

CLASS "M" TABLE.

AGES.	Joining Fee	Value of Certificate	Annual Dues	Quarterly Dues
14 to 30	$ 11 00	$ 1000 00	$ 21 00	$ 5 25
30 to 35	12 00	1000 00	22 00	5 50
35 to 40	12 00	900 00	23 00	5 75
40 to 45	13 00	800 00	24 00	6 00
45 to 50	13 00	700 00	25 00	6 25

REGALIA.

The members of the Fountains and Rosebuds of the organization wear no expensive regalia. The regalia of the organization is simple and its cost within the reach of all, costing from 10 cents to $350 the same is made by the organization in what is known as the Regalia Department.

THE SAVINGS BANK.

In March 1888, there was granted by the Legislature of Virginia, a charter to the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountian United Order of True Reformers, capital stock $100,000 00. The bank commenced bussiness April 3rd, 1889, and from that time down to the present has steadily increased in volume of business. It now has a paid-up capital stock of $100,000.00. From the humble sum of $1.268.69 deposited the first day the bank opened for business in 1889, the deposits have grown to $350,858.00, and the volume of business transacted amounts to $6,190,141.47. During the financial panic of 1893, the Savings Bank of the Grand Fountain was the only bank in the city of Richmond that did not cease to pay cash on all checks presented while the majority of other banks were using script and clearing-house checks. This bank had its origin in the brain of William W. Browne an ex-slave of Habersham county, Ga. The banking house is located at 604 N. Second Street, Richmond, Va., Rev. W. L. Taylor, President; R. T. Hill, Cashier.

REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

The Real Estate Department has charge of all the real property to the amount of $225,221 65, situated in various States, consisting of 18 magnificent buildings used as halls, dwellings, 1 hotel, 5 stores and 3 farms. It also has under its control 16 large buildings leased by it.

This department is under the management of Lawyer J. C. Robertson, Chief of Real Estate and Attorney for the organization, with offices at 604 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

REFORMER'S MECANTILE AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION

Was chartered under the laws of the State of Virginia on the 14th day of December 1899 with principal office in the city of Richmond, Va. The purpose of this Association is to conduct stores (wholesale and retail) buy and sell real property, manage and control hotels, manufacturing establishments, and general business. The Association has in operation Hotel Reformer, 900 N. Sixth street, Richmond, Va. It is a modern up-to-date structure, heated by steam, cold and hot water baths, also electric cars passing the door. This hotel has accommodation for 150 guests. Mr. A. W. Holmes is manager and Mr. T. W. Taylor is clerk. It has in operation a system of five stores, located as follows: Richmond, Va.; Washington, D. C.; Manchester, Va.; Portsmouth, Va.; and Roanoke, Va. The first of these stores, at Richmond, Va., was opened April 3rd, 1900. It emyloys a force of eighteen men, runs three delivery wagons, and during the first year did $50,000 worth of business. The other stores have been established since and have been equally as prosperous. The General Manager of the system of stores is Mr. B. L. Jordan, headquarters at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. This Association was formed on the plans and recommendations made by Rev. W. L, Taylor, its President.

THE REFORMER PRINTING DEPARTMENT

Issues a weekly journal, THE REFORMER, which has a circulation of 12,000. This paper is published in the interest of the race, and discusses the leading questions of the day. The subscription price is $1 per year, or 5c per single copy. The office is equipped with modern up-to-date machinery, run by electricity. It can print anything from a visiting card to a poster 12 by 62 inches. Fine job-work of every class and description is made a specialty at lowest prices. Mr. E. W. Brown is Editor and Business Manager, office 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va. Correspondence solicited and agents wanted.

OLD FOLKS' HOME.

In September 1893, Rev. William W. Brown recommended the formation and establishment of Old Folks' Homes for the benefit of the old and decrepid members of the race. Since that time the valuable farm known as Westham, consisting of 634¼ acres, located six miles from Richmond, Va., on the historic "James" has been purchased at a cost of $14,400. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad runs through the farm and Westham Station is located on it. Adjoining this farm is Westhampton Park, one of the most pleasant resorts in the South in summer. It is reached in a few minutes from Richmond by the Westhampton Electrict Railway and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

As this home is for the benefit of the whole race, the co-operation of all charitable friends is prayfully solicited. All contributions, donations and bequeaths of every character will be very thankfully received. Mr. T. W. Taylor is chief in charge of the Old Folks' Homes, offices at 608 N. Second street, Richmond, Va.

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Out of $20,000 worth of lots sold by the government at Muskogee, I T., last July the Negroes purchased $10,000 worth or half the amount that was sold. Muskogee has the best accommodations in the way of hotels and restaurants owned and controlled by colored people for any town of its size. They have houses containing from 5 to 36 rooms, not rented but owned by Negroes. They have three weekly newspapers and own two of the presses on which they are printed.

Several of the colored clerks in the Pension Office at Washington were promoted December 15 John H. Cook of Minnesota and John B. Hayman of North Carolina, went from $1,200 to $1,400 and Edward S. Wood of Mississippi, was raised to $1,200 per annum.

Three colored men Ralph W. Taylor Wilbur Jones and George A. Weaver, have acquired a tract of land in Ohio, embracing seventy-five acres, pronounced by experts to be the finest oil producing territory in the state. The deal promises to be the most gigantic ever swung by a set of colored men in this country, and while the purchase price was quite a handsome sum the investors are sure to realize thousands of dollars when the tract is capitalized and developed.

The Wilgera Oil, Coal, and Gas company, organized a few weeks ago with a capital stock of fifty thousand dollars, being controlled, owned and officered by colored men, has given all its work, even to the making of the company seal, to colored men. Although the company was organized by Northern colored men distinguished Southern colored men, like ex-Congressman Robert Smalls and others are interested, and the way these Southern colored men are buying up the stock indicates that the South may yet control this the biggest race enterprize ever launched.

R. W. Thompson, the well known newspaper correspondent has accepted a position at Tuskegee, Alabama. As assistant to Emmett J. Scott, private secretary to Principal Booker T. Washington of the Tuskegee Institute. Mr. Thompson succeeds J. Frank Armstrong who is to be the local manager of the Tuskegee summer school.

Negro wealth in Georgia exceeds that of the Negroes in any other state, according to an article, of the Atlanta Journal which reads thus: "Negro property in Georgia has decreased $441.742 in values this year. The consolidated statement of the value of all Negro property in the State was completed to day by Capt. "Tip" Harrison, of the tax department of the comptroller's office.

"The cause of the decrease is said to be the poor condition of the crops in the various sections of the states where the Negroes own property.

"The consolidated returns show that there are six Negro lawyers, fifty-four doctors and seven dentist in the state. The number of Negroes who have made returns for poll tax is 117,374 The number of acres of land owned by Negroes is 1,752,291, the value of this land is returned at $14, 779,263; the value of the jewelry owned by the Negroes is $26 366; the total value of all property is $15, 188, 069; the value of the property last year amounted to $15 629 811.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Mr. Geo. W. Carver of Agricultural Department, at the request of the President of the Alabama Live-Stock Association which convened at Birmingham, January 27th and 28th read a paper on Tuskegee's work in the direction of life-stock raising and of its agricultural work in the general.

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The students of the Arkansas Baptist College are preparing a drama about March 1st. The money realized will go to help pay for the water works. "We shall expect our friends in the city to come out and patronize us. You will be helping the college you see."

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The industrial department of the Morris Brown college, the Methodist Negro college in Atlanta, Ga., has been greatly improved by the addition of a complete printing outfit, consisting of two printing presses, type, four large composing stands and other requisites, such as ink, binders and paper cutters.

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An educational mass meeting was held Feb. 22, at Bishop Turner's Tabernacle, Atlanta, Ga., under the auspices of Morris Brown College. Bishop H. M. Turner, chancellor; Dr. James M. Henderson, president; Rev. R. D. Stinson, manager.

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Valuable as is the teaching of agriculture for all sections of our country, it is of special importance to Southern schools. Agriculture has long been neglected in the South, and the soil has been seriously impoverished by the one-crop system of tobacco and cotton. The same influence at the South as at the North—poverty of the soil—drives the people, colored and white, into the towns and cities

The public schools should contribute, as they can, better than any other institutions, to this general upbuilding of Southern agriculture by providing institutions, to this general upbuilding of Southern agriculture by providing instruction in the elementary principles of agriculture. Attached to each school should be a few acres of land, where the soil may be studied; seeds planted; fruit, forest and ornamental trees grown and cared for; insects—both helpful and injurious—observed, and methods for their control taught. This kind of instruction can be given without any great change in our present organized system of public school education. This will call for teachers of broader qualification and for such as are masters in their profession. The most important starting point in natural science teaching applied to agriculture is in our normal schools. Their science courses should have more practical application to agriculture, Teachers would then be qualified to take up in rural schools work which would in time result in vast benefit to the individual, the community and state.—Southern Workman

Had Lost his Best Friend.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Enclosed please find $1.50 for my subscription to The Freeman. I have been without it for the past few months, and I felt that I had lost my best friend.

D. E. CALDWELL, M. D.

Oscelo, Ark., Feb. 12, '03.

SPORT.

Kid Hubert recently married Miss Elenora Stevenson, a pretty telephone girl, of Danville, Ill.

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Sam Harris has signed articles for McGovern to meet Tim Callahan in Philadelphia, on March 4th.

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Billy Madden will arrive in New York in the near future, and he says he will give every heavy weight a call.

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Jimmy Dunn, the New Castle boy, who is now in St. Louis, met Clarence Forbes on the 26th inst., and will meet Johnny Kelly, in Chicago, March 5th.

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Tom Sharkey has been offered a purse of $15,000 by R. E. Young, of Dawson City, Alaska, if the former will meet Mike Burley, at Dawson City, next summer.

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Tim Haggarty, the light weight champion of Australia, who came to this country to meet Terry McGovern, and who was knocked out by Kid Lavigne, has returned to Sydney.

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Kid McCoy has taken to horseback riding in connection with his training, and performs several rough rider stunts. It is said he has little use for the saddle, and seldom uses the stirrups.

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"Parson" Davies is demanding a definite answer from Terry McGovern for a match with Kid Broad. Davies has posted $1,000 to bind a match and thinks McGovern is trying to side-step Broad.

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George Dixon, of this country, fought a twenty-round draw with Harry Ware, of London, before a crowd of 3,000, in London, the 9th. The stake was $1,500 Ware seemed to be the cleverer of the two at the start and had the better of the bout up to the fourth round, and then Dixon punished him severely about the body. There was heavy fighting until the fourteenth round. Dixon tired Ware out, but could not himself land a knock-out.

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AMERICAN PLAN NO LONGER IN FAVOR.

Old-Time Methods of Running Hotels Gradually Giving Way to the European Plan—Hotel Brunswick Lease Sold.

The announcement is made that the West House, Minneapolis, Minn., on February 1, will be conducted on the European plan.

In that brief statement there is much food for thought on the part of hotel men, and it gives additional strength to the prophecy that before long every first class hotel in this country will be conducted on the same plan. That the American plan is going out of existence can no longer be denied, and no one will hail the change with greater joy than the bonifaces.

There are many things to be said in favor of the change. For the hotel man it means more profit in the running of his hotel, and for the patron it means greater satisfaction.

In speaking of the change in the manner of conducting hotels, Gustave Baumann, proprietor of the Holland House, said:

"The American people are training themselves to the change, and before very long the first class hotels in all the large cities will discard the American plan. There is one hotel in Europe, the Royal, London, that is not on the European plan; everywhere else the hotels are run a la carte. There are many things to be said in favor of the change. The hotel man can regulate his expenses better and the patron gets better service—especially in the matter of food."

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Averill & Gregory, of the Gregorian hotel, are also proprietors of the Yates house, Syracuse, N. Y., one of the leading hotels in the upper part of the State. In speaking of the change, Mr. G. F. Gregory said:

"We can see the change coming so surely that we are thinking of changing the Yates house over to the European plan. We do a large commercial business, and we find the commercial men are beginning to prefer the European to the American plan. Here at the Gregorian we have the European plan In the matter of waiters alone you cannot get a first class waiter to work in an American plan house. All you can get are Negroes. Conducting a hotel on the American plan is largely a matter of guess work for, as many hotel men will tell you, there is no money in feeding people. Though the hotel men have been favoring the change for some time, knowing it would give greater satisfaction, the public is forcing the change, and the hotel men are not objecting."

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"It is not a desire for economy on the part of the hotel men," said Mr. Chas. E. Rector, "but a demand on the part of the public that is bringing about the change. In Europe, at the resorts such as Aix les Bains, or Carlsbad, the plan is European, and it will not be very long before the Southern resorts will adopt the same plan. Mr. Gregory is correct. You cannot get good waiters to work in an American plan house. The advantage to the hotel man is that he can now keep his departments, the rooms, restaurant and cafe separate, be able to tell how much each is making or losing. On the American plan they are bunched together. Better service is also given to the guest; his meals are cooked to order, and he is better satisfied than if he sat down to a set meal."

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Mr. E B. Hatch, manager of the Hotel Manhattan, said:

"I know of but one first class hotel in this city that has retained the American plan, and that is the Fifth Avenue, and I have been told that if the firm renews the lease the hotel is to be conducted entirely on the European plan. You ask if both the proprietor and the guest are satisfied. I will say in answer to that, that it is equitable. Here at the Manhattan the plan is exclusively European, with the exception of a table d'hote dinner we serve in the gentleman's cafe In order to learn how it was patronized I made inquiries only a few days ago, and discovered that but 35 per cent. of our guests patronized it. That shows you how unpopular the American plan has become. It won't be long before all first class hotels will be conducted on the European plan."

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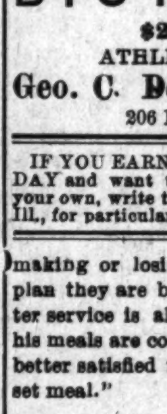

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Miss Dora Simpson is ill at her home in Waldon street.

John Hood has gone to Chicago for permanent residence.

Charles Lanier is ill at his home in North Capitol avenue.

John Edien is very ill at his home in West Vermont street.

Miss Grace Booth is ill at the home of her parents in Camp street.

Carter Smith's dancing school was well attended Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Smith spent Sunday in Franklin visiting her parents.

Big sale at the Atlas Cloak House, 211 Indiana avenue, four doors from Illinois street

Miss Zella Locklear has returned home after a visit to her grandparents in Bedford, Ind.

Mrs. Anna Smith was called to Louisville, Ky., last week, to attend the funeral of her aunt.

Ladies wanted at the Atlas Cloak House, 211 Indiana avenue, four doors from Illinois street.

John Ratcliff of Nashville, Tenn., has been made night foreman of the Union station barbershop.

Dr. J. B. Oliver of Brazil, Ind., was in the city on Monday. He purchased an automobile while here.

Little Miss Ruth Pettiford is spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pettiford of Franklin.

Dr. J. M. Townsend of Bethel A. M. E. church preached the sacremental sermon at Wayman Chapel last Sunday.

Misses Rose Heston and Edna Brown graduated from the Normal Kindergarten Training School on Thursday, February 20.

Harry Peyton of New York is visiting relatives and friends in the city. He leaves next week for an extended trip to California.

The Ben Trovato Club is making great preparations for their Easter ball to be given Easter Monday, April 18, at Tomlinson Hall.

Mrs. Nellie Jackson of 1815 Yandes street will give a social for the benefit of the Baptist University this evening. Supper served from 5 to 11 p. m.

James S. Curtis, assistant foreman of the Chicago and Alton round house at Springfield, Ill., is in the city, and will accept a similar position with the I. D. & W. March 1st.

Prof. A. M. Damon gave a recital at Brazil, Ind., last Friday, and one at Westfield, Ind., Monday. Miss Cora Julius of Marion, Mrs. Lucretia E. Knox and Prof. Samuel Ratcliff assisted him. They report success.

Mr. John B. Goins has taken charge of the dining room of the Columbia Club. Mr. Goins is one of the foremost headwaiters in the country and is the author of the American Colored Waiter.

Charles Goins, an old typo, who left some years ago, dropped in upon us last week looking very much like a live man. We were glad to receive Mr. Goins and to congratulate him for most excellent care taken of himself. Success Charles.

Frank Fowler Brown, our talented young tenor, will sing in recital at Louisville, Ky., March 6th, singing six numbers, and at Music Hall, Cincinnati, March 8th, being one of three soloists who are the first to appear in that auditorium since Black Patti He has the best wishes of The Freeman.

The Zenda Club's recent election resulted as follows: Maurice F. White, president; John E. Middleton, vice-president; Emserdel Stone, recording secretary; George J. Dawson, financial sec'y; J. D. Morris, treasurer; Spence Henderson, floor manager; J. E. Middleton, Will Holt, Harry Hill, James Smith, Emserdel Stone, Harry Morgan, Spencer Henderson, directors. Dance changed to Friday nights. First dance March 6

The marriage of George Grundy Simmons to Lulu May Hampton was one of the happenings of last week. Mr. Simmons is of The Freeman composing room, and was supposed to be a confirmed bachelor, but Cupid got in his deadly work with his unerring dart, and now he is enrolled among the benedicts. The Freeman bids the pair bon voyage on the untried sea, assuring them that it is largely with the mariners as to plain sailing.

Mr. Will Harris, formerly of the "World" this city, was called to his home, Leavenworth, Kas, consequent upon the serious illness of his mother. Mr. Harris made himself very popular during his stay in Indianapolis with the newspaper fraternity. His superior ability as an all-round journalist is rarely come in contact with among colored men. Mr. Harris was not only a gifted type setter, but an entertaining writer as well. In fact he was, as we have said, an all-round, first class journalist As a dramatic critic he has established quite a reputation. We hope soon to have him among us again.

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The Lincoln Memorial Society of this city, of which E. B. Gibson, as President and W. J. Moore, Secretary, held their annual celebration in commemeration of the immortal Lincoln, Thursday night, the 12th inst, at Wheat Street Baptist Church. Quite an interesting literary program was the feature of the occasion. Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, Dean of Garrison Theological College, was the orator of the evening The Doctor being unwell and under the care of his physician, however, he delivered a most powerful address The papers and solos rendered by the young ladies and gentlemen, were most excellent. About two thousand persons attended this celebration.

The Trustees of Morris Brown College were in session here several days this week, with matters of very great importance to the college. Bishop Turner states that he is very much pleased at the progress being made in interest of the institution.

Rev. P. Jas. Byrant returned to the city last week from Chicago, where he had been for several weeks assisting Rev. Dr. E. J. Fisher, of the Olivet Baptist Church, of the Windy City, in conducting a series of meetings.

Quite a number of our people here will leave for California, during this month. Taking advantage of cheap rates offered by the railroad companies.

It is possible that we will lose our genial friend, Maj. S. W. Saseby. Jr., formerly Deputy Surveyor of Customs here. It is reported that the department has decided to assign him to duty at Boston, Mass.

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New York, Feb. 21.—Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands, 10.05c; middling gulf, 10.30c. Sales, 63 bales.

New Orleans, Feb. 23.—Cotton firm. Sales, 2,100 bales. Ordinary, 8 3-16c; good ordinary, 8 11-16c; low middling, 9⅛c; middling, 9 11-16c; good middling, 10⅛c; middling fair, 10 13-16c. Receipts, 11,960 bales; stock, 317,461 bales.

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